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Sri T. S. RAMASWAMI : Sir, after the transfer of the primary schools to the Panchayat Unions not only in the Valliyur Panchayat Union Council but in other unions also because of the inefficieny and inexperience of the Commissioner, who is in charge of distributing the salaries and other allowances to the schools, great delay is being felt to the greater disadvantage of the teachers. May I know, Sir, whether the Government will take action to avoid this?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM : I have also received complaints with regard to the delay in the payment of salaries of primary school teachers in some of the panchayat unions. These delays have been caused due to the transition stage, due to the inexperience of the Commissioner and various other factors also. However, action has been taken to see that such delays do not occur.

*Rural Water-supply Schemes (Kanyakumari district)*

* 2314 Q.—Sri T. S. RAMASWAMI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) the number and names of rural water-supply schemes carried out in Kanyakumari district during the last two years; and

(b) the number in progress?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM : (a) & (b) The Collector of Kanyakumari has been asked to furnish requisite information and his report in the matter is awaited.

Sri T. S. RAMASWAMI : May I know, Sir, what is the present stage of the national rural water supply in Kanyakumari district? That has been there for more than seven years. Nothing tangible has so far been done.

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM : When the hon. Member puts such questions, he must furnish the number and names of the rural water-supply schemes carried on in the Kanyakumari district during the last two years. He cannot expect immediate answers to these questions as information has to be collected and then answered. If any inadequate reply is given immediately, the hon. Member would rise and say such and such a scheme had not been included. So delay in such questions is unavoidable.

*Death of prisoners in jails*

* **2315. Q.—Sri V. K. KOTHANDARAMAN :** கனம் உள்துறை அமைச்சர் தயவுசெய்து கீழ்க்கண்ட கேள்விகளுக்குப் பதிலளிப்பாரா—

(அ) நமது ராஜ்யத்திலுள்ள மத்திய சிறைகளில் 1961 செப்டம்பர் மாதம் முதல் இதுவரை எத்தனை பேர்கள் இறந்தார்கள்?

(இ) அதற்கான காரணமென்ன?